

# Vanke Primary School Pudong

September 2 - 6, 2019 Week 1

#### What We Did This Week

## What We'll Do Next Week

## **English**

- ➤ All of the students did a wonderful job during their first week in Primary School! This is certainly a huge transition for them and presents numerous new challenges, but we couldn't be prouder of the students' effort and behavior!
- Our primary focus this week was getting to know the children and motivating children to learn the class and school rules and expectations. We also established some important classroom and transition routines that the students will need to understand and adhere to quickly in order to have a successful year.
- ➤ We also conducted various English assessments in order to get a proper idea of students' current English proficiency levels.
- ➤ The children thoroughly enjoyed meeting all of their teachers and making lots of new friends. There is great excitement and anticipation amongst teachers and children alike for the year ahead!

#### **English**

The unit for this week will be titled "Using Your Senses". Students will be interpreting info from photos, with a particular vocabulary emphasis on body words. We'll be focusing on ABC's, capital letter use, and proper use of nouns.

#### **Humanities**

➤ The topic "Ancient Egypt" will be introduced this week, with students beginning to learn how to differentiate between people, places, and events in the past, present and future.

#### Science

The topic "Waves: Light and Sound" will be introduced. Students will explore the relationship between materials and vibration.

## Reminders to Parents

- 1. Please be sure your children arrive at school by 7:50AM each morning. This will enable them to be properly prepared for their first Guided Reading lesson of each day.
- 2. Students should wear appropriate school uniform attire every day of the school week.
- 3. Any in-depth requests or queries you may have should be sent to your child's homeroom teacher's school email address. Shorter inquiries can be sent via Class Dojo.
- 4. We greatly appreciate your support and look forward to partnering with you all this year in ensuring our students all have the most enjoyable and successful year possible!